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Dear Mr. Brown,

The most interesting paragraph in your letter of the 29th is unclear. You say you are working on a manuscript "concerning CIA activities re: Cuba since the Bay of Pigs" and that you have uncovered "some 23 CIA fronts and cover operations in the south Florida area". Are these fronts all concerned with such activities?

I wish you luck with this work. I think it can be a worthwhile contribution, if you can make your stuff solid. If you can tell me without giving away what you might, as a writer, want to keep secret until the book appears, was there any significant change in the number and existence of these fronts beginning toward the end of 1962?

And, if there are any such groups of which you think I might have knowledge, ask me and I'll let you know. It is possible, for them may have figured in my work. You mention only Florida. I'd expect you to have located some elsewhere, but in the same general area. I think they exist(ed). All along the Gulf. And inland.

You are correct in what you say about me and publishers, which really means the subject and commercial publishers. If you have a good book, you can still get it reprinted. This happened to me twice. I turned some offers down.

When you are east again, it would be good if we can get together. I am but an hour from Washington and Baltimore.

Your appraisal of the hearings coincides with mine. However, there is a point on which we agree and disagree, your sentence, "I too am concerned about radicals using books of this nature for furthering their own illegal ends..." Were I to say this, I'd mean <u>any</u> kind of radicals. Am I wrong in presuming you had in mind only those of the left? Have you not, in fact, whether or not wittingly, been supplying extremists of the right?

Thanks for the list. I do not qualify!

Sincerely,

Harold Weisberg